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## CRITICAL MOMENT IN GREAT INDUSTRIAL WAR IS REACHED

Authorities Fear Miners May Create a New Bifurcation in the Country.

FAILURE OF CONFERENCE MAKES SITUATION GRAVE

Distress in Many Districts Among the Poor is Heart-Rending.

London, Mar. 16.—Within a few days hundreds of thousands more men and women will be added to the two million forced into idleness by the coal strike. Ten thousand additional workmen were thrown out of employment to-day when the Great Western Railway company shut down its construction works at Swindon. The London and North-Western railway has given notice that after Monday a large number of cars will cease running while many other railways from east to west have been compelled to give their men notice to leave.

The failure of the conference between the strikers and mine owners to reach a settlement of the coal strike has brought to Great Britain a realization of the serious condition of the industries besides the ones recently affected. In many places the manufacturers have only their works going up extraordinary orders. They will now no longer be able to do this. At Sheffield many works have only continued in operation during the past week by the most careful hoarding of coal, but even with this they have been unable to do so. It is feared practically every factory in the land will be closed.

**Critical Moment Reached.**

Not only have the passenger services of railways been cut down, but freight trains have been reduced to such an extent that it is impossible to ship any goods at all.

A few small collieries are still working and wagons from neighboring towns form long lines overhead awaiting the doing out of the month's supply.

Thus far the strike has been carried on with practically no disorder. The critical moment has now arrived, however, and precautions are being taken by the authorities to check any outbreaks that might be engendered by the return to work of non-striking miners. A case in point occurred to-day in Lancashire, Scotland, where two non-striking men returned to work. When the men left their houses the police came to see that they were home. They came into conflict with the police, one of whom was seriously injured.

**British Public Apathetic.**

London, Mar. 16.—The sympathy of the British public in the face of the gravest calamity in its national history, which Ambassador Reid yesterday likened to the insurance of the French nation before the revolution, will remain cold.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT WILL PAY SHARE TOWARDS BUREAU WHENEVER THE REQUEST IS PRESENTED.

Mayor Armstrong and Commissioner Cassidy on Friday interviewed the Premier of Ontario with reference to the payment of the sum voted by the provincial government towards the cost of the high level bridge. The C. V. B. are making for \$150,000 on account of the work already done, and the amount of the provincial government's contribution is \$15,000. The delegation were informed that the government would make the payment as soon as the request was received.

The city representative is contributing \$15,000; the street railway department \$12,000, leaving a balance to be supplied by the city of \$13,000.

The city representative expressed their pleasure at the ready acquiescence of the government to come forward with their contribution to the bridge project.

There was a rude shock this morning when it was learned that the coal conference ended last night in failure and that the King has cancelled the proposed strike abroad because of the strike.

Premier Asquith's official statement that as a result of the abortive strike of the hoteliers the government would at once take steps to establish a minimum wage for underground coal workers, meets with general approval, the only criticism being that the government should have acted earlier and valuable time has been lost in the process.

Exactly what the country has already lost by the strike is impossible to estimate, but the extent of the damage may be gauged by the fact that the loss for one week is calculated at \$15,000,000. About \$1,000,000 was paid out by the mining and other trades unions in strike pay and out-of-work pay this week, but this is merely a drop in the ocean.

**Terrible Suffering Among Poor.**

The growing distress among the poor has prompted a general feeling to give some funds at least. General Asquith says: "The suffering among the poor, consequent upon the present industrial strike, is now becoming a most serious matter. Up to the present time the distress, while widespread, has not been generally acute, but every day, indeed every hour, that now passes, widens the sad field of hunger and the misery feeling that it engenders particularly for the women and children."

"Reports from my officials in many parts of the country, who live and labor among the poor, and are closely in touch with the actual needs, will tell the same ghastly story of starvation, and the sorrow which must inevitably be aggravated during the next few days. It is so evident that even if the strike ceases at once there must be for a long time suffering before wages are forthcoming."

General Asquith's hope of an immediate end of the strike may be belied for at the moment a government bill extending the proposal of the minimum wage and fixing it by a local conference can hardly become a law before the close of next week or Thursday at the earliest.

## COMPLAINS OF PURE FOOD ACT ENFORCEMENT

Dr. Wiley Who has Declined to Pledge Food Expert of the U. S. Department of Agriculture Says he Was Not Given Support.

Washington, March 15.—In a statement issued today at the termination of his conference with the department, Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, the pure food expert, declared he had resigned from the department of agriculture because almost from the beginning he had been antagonized in the enforcement of the pure food law, and that one by one he had seen the fundamental principles of that act either paralyzed or discarded.

Dr. Wiley said that the interests connected with the manufacture of adulterated food had made it impossible for him to escape the ridicule of his bureau, and as a result one after another

of his activities in behalf of the people had been restricted.

Matters that properly should have come to the chemistry bureau, he said, had been taken away from him. The differences had become irreconcilable, he had lacked support, and had finally come to the conclusion that he could do more in the service of the people as a private citizen.

**Made a Loan.**

London, Mar. 16.—There is a keen competition among the European banks to lend China, says the Peking correspondent of the Daily Mail. "Yesterday," the correspondent continues, "the Belgian bank without the knowledge of the other banks, signed a Russo-Belgian loan of \$1,000,000 and President Yuan Shi Kai submitted the contract to the National assembly."

St. Petersburg, Mar. 15.—Forty-five millions were asked as the result of a new explosion in the shaft of a coal mine at Ussolsky, province of Saratov today. The cause of the explosion is not known. The mine is owned by a Russian company.



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## NEWS OF THE DISTRICT

### WETASKIWIN.

It is good news to the residents of Wetaskiwin and surrounding country to learn that the University Business College, of Calgary and Lethbridge, is establishing a branch here. The principal, Mr. Deane, M.A., will arrive in the city next week, and as soon as the necessary equipment can be installed, the school will be opened.

Mr. Schmidt, one of the representatives from the school, has been in the city all week and has arranged for a very satisfactory close to the opening day. Night classes will also be conducted.

Next Sunday will be a special day at the Methodist Church, as Mr. Rickard, principal of Alberta College, conducts both services. In the morning his theme will be education, while his evening discourse will be on the important subject of church union. The bulletins for the voting are being distributed, and will be handed some time during the morning.

The balloting by the Presbyterians has been completed, and the result is strongly in favor of the proposed union. The many friends of Mrs. J. P. Staples are pleased to learn that she

is convalescing nicely after her recent serious illness.

Wetaskiwin is to have a customs office opened on April 1st. Such was the information received from Ottawa a few days ago and is the best news that has been received in the city for some time, as this will fill one of our next nearest offices on the coast is located at Saskatoon. "T. C. Hughes has been recommended as the collector of customs and will doubtless prove an efficient and obliging official.

The Wetaskiwin Citizens' Band will give an open air concert on Sunday afternoon next, providing the weather is propitious. We have one of the best bands in the province, and they are quite generous with their music.

The City Bazaar, which has been conducted for some time by Mr. P. H. Butt, has changed hands. Mr. Butt, having gone out to Indiana to take over the management of the bazaar, has been replaced by Mr. P. H. Butt, who has taken possession. The premises will be renovated, and the firm promises to conduct one of the most up-to-date bazaar, consisting of dry and ice cream stands in the west. We wish them success.

At the regular meeting of the council held on Tuesday evening last, it was decided to organize a volunteer fire brigade for the summer

months, with L. D. Montgomery as chief. The hotel men of the city are also making for a reduction in the light and water charges, claiming that a cheaper rate than the schedule is given the hotel men in other cities in the province. The matter was referred to a committee, who will investigate conditions elsewhere, and report.

The city lost two good officials on Thursday evening of this week, when the resignation of Dr. R. Fraser (chief of police) and F. Whitcomb (the chief clerk) came into effect. Both these gentlemen are returning to Edmonton, where positions await them.

Dr. Cobbert, of Edmonton, was in the city for the first part of the week in consultation with a local physician and also assisting in a critical operation. The many friends of Pete Wilton, one of the old-timers in the district, regret to learn that he is at present confined to the house, suffering with an attack of rheumatism. At a meeting of the Amalgamated Choir, held at the home of Mrs. John West on Tuesday evening the officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Mrs. John West; vice-president, Mrs. C. Austin; secretary, Miss R. Harnsey; treasurer, Miss Alice McAlum; committee, Messrs. H. J. Montgomery, John T. J. M. Peterson, W. Clark and Rev. Father Walravens. It is the intention of the ladies' section of the choir to give a concert at an early date, and later to take part in the competition of the musical festival in Edmonton.

A quiet wedding took place at the home of the groom's sister, Mrs. Wilson, on Monday last, when Mr. Henry Hagen and Miss Margaret Bailey, both of Battle Lake, were united in holy bonds of matrimony. The bride was given away by Mr. J. P. Fowdell, the best man. Their many friends join in extending the best wishes to the young couple. The bride was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hagen, near Wetaskiwin, on the 7th inst., and left a very big boy. All are doing nicely.

Wetaskiwin, March 14th.

### SADDLE LAKE.

Bulletin News Service. Surveyor Ponton and family passed through here on their way to Port McMurray to finish up surveying a port left undone.

The cattle buyers are travelling around in the vicinity of Saddle Lake and the country around. There was quite a turnout at the lake on the 14th inst. for the sale of cattle. There was a lot of business in the neighborhood of about forty couples and dancing was kept up to a late hour.

Peddlers are travelling around trying to get what fare and money they can lay their hands on; also horses and cattle.

The Indian agent is making his yearly round-up in the reserve, including Beaver Lake and White Fish Lake reserves.

Saddle Lake, March 16th.

### BULLETIN NEWS SERVICE.

A. Cummines has returned to Edmonton, recently and expects to go again soon.

G. S. Stearns's home was the scene of a pleasant little party on February 17th. Mr. Stearns was being visited by Mr. Cummines.

Mr. Stearns's dance held every Saturday night at Mr. Campbell's home are proving very successful. Mr. P. H. Butt, of Bellevue, paid Monday a flying trip on Sunday. Clark McCoy is able to be out again.

Mr. P. McCoy returned recently from a trip to Red Deer and Edmonton. Mrs. Davidson and Miss Hedstrom visited at Mrs. Tetlow's on Thursday.

Omor Fluet is wearing the much

quoted smile these days, a little daughter having arrived at his home on Sunday.

Miss K. Storms visited at Mr. Darby's last week.

A few housewives spent a pleasant evening at Lawson last week, Mrs. McCoy's was better thrown open for their entertainment.

Mrs. Collinson is back in Saskatoon for a time. Mr. Gieseler is expected back soon from his trip to the United States.

FALLS AND REXBORO. Bulletin News Service.

Alfred Buck has just sold his farm at a good figure.

Mr. Robertson, from Athabasca Landing, is the purchaser, who with his family will shortly come to reside here.

Operations at the mine at Falls are in full swing. A large number of men will be engaged this summer. The manager of the mine is putting up a house 40x12 feet on H. J. Kendall's quarter.

Mrs. Shaw, Winnipeg, is visiting her brother, Mr. L. Thompson, in Island Lake.

A. G. Bennett has just completed a five-acre baggage. He states the making of a trip to the coast of this kind of work has been good. The saw mill, run by Alvin Brown, will close down at the end of the week.

George McAulay has returned home from Red Deer, having sold out his restaurant there.

Mrs. Streets with son and daughter are now settling in Rexboro, having moved out of farm at Whitesand.

Mr. and Mrs. Beard have removed to the coast.

Frank Cassan has just returned from a building trip to the coast.

A meeting of the Falls and Rexboro for the year 1912 was held on Saturday afternoon in the schoolhouse. Much enthusiasm was shown by the members and prospects are good for a successful fair on September 15th.

Mr. Conn, the manager of the Western Canada Farm, has just bought a herd of pure bred Ayrshire cattle, most of them being prize winners at the Calgary and Edmonton exhibitions. W. T. Smith of Whitesand, also bought a herd of pure bred Ayrshire cattle.

Three head of pure bred stock in the form of a herd of pure bred Ayrshire cattle, having purchased a herd of pure bred Ayrshire cattle.

A. G. Bennett was a large purchaser of cattle at a recent sale at Stony Plain.

Falls, March 15th.

### CAMPBELL.

Bulletin News Service.

Dr. Smith has returned from his recent trip to Edmonton.

C. Smith is building a new house. A pleasant surprise party was held on February 17th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Spilken of the Paddle River.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Smith visited at Mr. and Mrs. L. Smith's on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Smith visited at Mr. and Mrs. J. Smith's on Sunday.

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The weather is very mild.

Convict Murders Still at Large.

Lincoln, Neb., Mar. 15.—The three convicts who yesterday murdered Warden Debrauty, Deputy Warden and other officials, at the Nebraska state prison, were at a late hour still at large without a definite clue as to their hiding places. Three men were arrested at Lincoln, but at a late hour reports say they bear little resemblance to the murderers. In the meantime, the man-hunt is being vigorously prosecuted.

RAFFLESHIP MAINE IN LAST RESTING PLACE.

New York, Mar. 16.—Plans for the construction of a public and many private buildings today in commemoration of the centennial of the birth of the state of Maine at sea, which was towed from Havana Harbor out into the Atlantic and sunk in its final resting place today.

HORSES FOR SALE.

150 head Horses and Mares, four to eight years old, gentle and well broken; plenty of feed and good barn; weight from 1200 to 1400 pounds; Percheron, Shire and Belgian blood. Also two carloads of good fat calves—gray, dark gray and dunple grays. Also one standard-bred driving team.

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## AROUND THE CITY

The funeral of the infant child of A. Scherz, 218 Grandview street, will take place this afternoon at two o'clock from the residence of the deceased to St. Patrick's church, St. Patrick's street, and thence to St. Patrick's cemetery.

The death took place on Saturday night last of a well known citizen of Edmonton, the person of Charles W. Taylor, aged 42. Death was due to heart trouble. The body has been brought to Edmonton and is at present at the undertaking parlors of Andrews Bros., pending funeral arrangements.

The Gaelic Society will hold the last meeting of the season on Monday night, March 19, at 8 o'clock. The committee have been successful in getting up the well known Gaelic sketch entitled "Colum Pao" (Malcolm the Postman), which ought to prove interesting to the Highlanders. All Gaelic speaking people are cordially invited.

A meeting will be held this (Monday) evening in the Y. M. C. A. at 8 p. m. to discuss the organization of the First Congregational church. Important business will be transacted, and the meeting will also be of a social nature, light refreshments being provided. All interested in the Christian of good foundations for the new church home.

The annual meeting of the Edmonton Presbyterian W. P. M. A. will be held in Robertson church, Sixteenth street, on Tuesday, March 19th. Morning session at ten o'clock. In the evening of reports and election of officers. Afternoon session at 2:30 p. m. will be addressed by the Rev. J. M. McLean, secretary of the W. P. M. A., and members of local auxiliaries. A luncheon will be served in the lecture room of the church, and all those attending the morning session are cordially invited to remain for it, and spend a social hour before the afternoon meeting. Ladies interested in church work are urged to be present.

**COMMISSION MEETS TODAY.**  
The railway commission of Canada will open an important sitting in the board room of the Exhibition building at ten o'clock this morning. Twelve or more applications made the morning session will come up for hearing before the commission. Charles McLean and Commissioner McLean, who are now making their regular tour of the provinces, will hear the applications.

**DEATH OF T. H. ATWELL.**  
Death came in a most tragic manner to T. H. Atwell, a well known and respected resident of Alberta, on Friday night. He had been suffering from a heart ailment, and the attending physician had been called in to attend to him. He died at his home, and the funeral will be held on Monday morning at 10 o'clock from the residence of the deceased to St. Patrick's church, St. Patrick's street, and thence to St. Patrick's cemetery.

**THE FIRST REHEARSAL.**  
The first rehearsal for the chorus of the Alberta Musical Festival will be held tonight in the Mackay avenue school. The work to be prepared is "The Lullaby." All singers who wish to take part in this work are urged to attend the rehearsal without further delay. It is expected that the chorus will number at least 250. Copies of the music may be purchased at the place of rehearsal.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY OBSERVED.

St. Patrick's Day of the 17th of Ireland, as it is familiarly known, was quietly observed in Edmonton yesterday. The patron saint was remembered by the wearing of the green, and hundreds could be seen on the streets yesterday wearing some article of green, evidence of the fact that Edmonton has a large population of Irish descent.

**THIEVES IN NORWOOD.**  
Residents of Norwood district have been victimized by two men who are going around from house to house claiming to be able to perform any odd plumbing or mechanical piece of work necessary. The pair visited the home of one of the W. H. Pike-woods, on Saturday morning, and stole several small articles, which were recovered when Mr. Pike-wood found them down the street and reported them to the police. It is believed that the two men are merely waiting for a chance to steal something else, and they are urged to be on their guard.

**GRACE CHURCH FAVORS UNION.**  
The first voting in the Methodist churches of Edmonton on the church union question took place yesterday, when a large number of the members and adherents of Grace Methodist church registered their ballots. The total vote in this church will amount to about 100. Only 100 votes were received yesterday. No figures will be available until the next day's voting. The Methodist churches have until April 15th to hand in their ballots, and consequently it may be some time before the vote is known. Grace Methodist church is the first Methodist church in Edmonton to submit the question to its members and adherents. It is probable that the other churches will vote on the question some time this month. Although no figures are available, it is unlikely that the vote yesterday in Grace church was overwhelmingly in favor of church union.

**CONVICT STILL AT LARGE.**  
Every effort is being made by the Mounted Police to recapture Charles Courtois, the convict who escaped from Alberta penitentiary on Saturday morning. He is now at large, and is being watched, but so far he has evaded capture. It is expected that he will be recaptured at any moment. It is believed that he is being concealed by some friends in the city. All the outgoing trains have been searched by the police and no trace of him has been found. Courtois was arrested in the province and was immediately arrested.

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## COUNCIL DISCUSSES IMPORTANT PROJECTS

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extremes of the labour market, viz. when it was understocked and when it was overstocked. He thought that such a bureau could be worked on comparatively simple lines and that it could be managed by the commissioners without adding greatly to their duties.

The question was left to the commissioners to prepare a scheme for the working out of the bureau, and their report to be presented at the meeting of the council following the meeting tomorrow night.

Ald. Clarke then introduced his motion for a minimum wage to be paid in connection with all the work done under any of the departments of the city council, fixing a definite scale of wages for all trades. The motion was proposed, he said, were those already said to members of trade unions in the city, and the council for an eight-hour day on five days and four on Saturdays, or forty-four hours per week.

**Working Week—Forty-four Hours.**  
Ald. Clarke said there should be no objection to his motion. It was well known that all the trouble the city had in carrying out of contracts arose from the men's contractors. If the council agreed to the resolution, it would do away with the possibility of a conflict on any of the work done by the city and would give the men a fair and honest wage with the working men and consequently induce them to come here to help build up the city. The resolution, he said, was intended to help the men and the city. The council, he said, was intended to help the men and the city. The council, he said, was intended to help the men and the city.

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